(d) whether his Ministry is considering any alternative proposal to utilize the same land instead of transferring it to Gangavaram Port Company; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (DR. AKHILESH DAS): (a) No, sir.

(b) In view of (a) above, does not arise.

(c) Required information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(d) No, sir.

(e) In view of (d) above, does not arise.

POSCO Project in Orissa

743. SHRI AMAR SINGH: SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have since given its approval for the setting up of South Korean Company Posco's 12 million tonnes steel project in Orissa;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof including the proposed location of the venture referred to above; and

(c) by when, it is likely to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (DR. AKHILESH DAS): (a) Government of Orissa has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with POSCO India Private Limited on 22.6.2005 for setting up a 12 million tonnes steel project in Orissa.

(b) The proposed location of the steel plant is Ersama block of Jagatsinghpur district in Orissa. The other features of the project as per MoU are: -

(i) The project would be implemented in two phases. Each phase will have two modules of 3 million tonnes per annum crude steel capacity.

(ii) Proposed investment is of the order of around US $ 12 billion (Rs. 51,000 crores approximately).

(iii) POSCO will also set up infrastructure necessary for the integrated steel plant, related projects and related mining of iron ore and other ores.

(iv) The acquisition of the private land will be as per the Land Acquisition Act.

(v) For rehabilitation of displaced families, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Package would be implemented as per prevailing guidelines and practices.

(vi) POSCO has a requirement of 600 million tonnes of iron ore, POSCO's application of mining lease would be considered as per the prescribed procedure.

(vii) Water may be provided from suitable source(s) for construction and operation as per the prevailing rates, subject to availability.

(viii) The State Government would consider granting to the company such incentives and concessions as are provided in the relevant Industrial Policy Resolution in force on the date of MoU.

(c) As per the MoU the likely date of commissioning of first module of the first phase is July, 2010.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL (Gujarat): Sir, the Prime Minister of the country has been insulted by a Member *of...(Interruptions)...*

MR. CHAIRMAN: Please, please...*(Interruptions)...* Please, allow the Papers to be laid. ...*(Interruptions)...*

MoU (2007-2008) between Government of India and National Small Industries Corporation Ltd.

THE MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): Sir, I lay on the Table a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Ministry of Small Scale Industries) and the National Small Industries Corporation Limited (NSIC), for the year 2007-2008. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. 6721/07].

Notification of the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SURESH PACHORI): Sir, on behalf of Shri B.K. Handique, I lay on the Table, under sub-section (6) of section (3) of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers (Department of Fertilizers), Notification S.O. 529 (E), dated the 9th April, 2007, amending S.O. 520(E) dated the 10th April, 2006, by substituting certain entries in the original notification. ...*(Interruptions)..* [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. 7027/07].

I. Report and Accounts (2005-2006) of the Hospital Services Consultancy Corporation (India) Ltd., Delhi and related papers

II. Notifications of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMA DOSS): Sir, 1 lay on the Table:

I. (1) A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under sub-section(l) of section 619A of the Companies Act, 1956:

(a) Twenty-third Annual Report and Accounts of the Hospital Services Consultancy Corporation (India) Limited (HSCC), Delhi, for the yer 2005-2006, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.